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THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION

1. The Imperial Government, China, Liaison mission, known to be a religious and political party, recently forwarded a note to the Hongkong Rennie's Mill Refugee Camp Relief committee, offering a donation of 3,000 taels (4,000 oz.) of gold, equivalent to US\$130,000, to be ear-marked especially for the repatriation to Formosa of refugee-soldiers (Nationalists) now in Rennie's Mill Camp, Hong Kong.
2. In two notes, sent to the Chinese Chamber of Commerce of Hongkong and forwarded by them to the Rennie's Mill Camp committee, the Liaison mission stated that upon instructions received from their "Regency Council", a donation of 3,000 taels of gold to be used for repatriation purposes would be made following the completion of arrangements between their party and the Formosa authorities.
3. Tang Wan-kui, Guardian in Hongkong of the Imperial Government, China, Liaison mission, said that the "party" was first established on Sunday, September 16, 1951 at Yiyang district, Honan province.
4. The party, which is of a religious and political nature, was said to be advocating the establishment of an imperial government in China.
5. Operating "somewhere in China" the party, Mr. Tang said, was under the authority of a "Regency Council" at present underground. He said that the party drew its strength from many peasant sympathizers and that it also had strong military ties both in the China mainland and in Formosa.
6. If arrangements can be completed, he said, an application would be made to Hong Kong authorities for the import of the 3,000 taels of gold which, he added, would come from their (the party's) stockpile in Formosa.
7. Robert Der (variant of Char or Tse), chairman of the executive committee of the Rennie's Mill Refugee Camp Relief committee, and chairman of the Kowloon Chamber of Commerce, into whose hands the offer was placed, said in a return note to the

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Liaison mission that he had replied that his committee would be glad to arrange a meeting between this party and the Free China Relief Association (Formosa), the natural body to complete any arrangement.

8. Mr. Der, commenting on the offer, continued however, that at present there was no tangible evidence of the genuineness of the offer, and unless some concrete proof, apart from the notes, was forthcoming, he was forced to be slightly skeptical of the materialization of the 3,000 taels of gold donation.
9. At present, Mr. Der said, there are about 6,000 refugee-soldiers at Formosa's Mill Camp.

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